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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, EC

SUBJECT: SHIPS FOR ECUADOR

REF: QUITO 2431

1. THE 30-DAY NOTIFICATION PERIOD HAS ENDED WITHOUT ANY
CONGRESSIONAL OBJECTIONS BEING RAISED TO THE SALE OF ONE
OCEAN-GOING TUG (ATF) AND ONE GEARING-CLASS DESTROYER
(FRAM I DD WITHOUT ASROC) TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ECUADOR
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(GOE). LETTERS OF OFFER ARE NOW IN PREPARATION IN DOD.

2. ACCORDINGLY, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO OFFER THE TWO SHIPS
FOR SALE, AND TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

DISPLACEMENT FMS
(LIGHT LOAD) COMMISSIONED DECOMMIS- PRICE

SIONED

USS CHOWANOC 1240 FEB 44 1 OCT 77 \$195,000
(ATF-100)
USS HOLDER 2375 MAY 46 1 OCT 76 \$185,000
(DD-819)

3. TRANSFER OF THE TUG WILL BE ON "HOT SHIP" BASIS ON 1

OCT 1977, WHEN THE CHOWANOC IS SCHEDULED TO BE DECOMMIS-
SIONED FROM THE US PACIFIC FLEET. THE TRANSFER DATE OF
THE DESTROYER WILL BE DETERMINED ACCORDING TO THE DESIRES
OF THE ECUADOREAN NAVY (EN). AS PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED
DURING YOUR VISIT TO WASHINGTON IN MARCH A "HOT SHIP"
TRANSFER OF A DESTROYER TO ECUADOR IS NOT POSSIBLE.

4. YOU SHOULD INFORM THE GOE IN WRITING OF THE FOLLOWING
PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRANSFER OF THE DESTROYER;

A. THE EN WILL REQUIRE EXTENSIVE TRAINING, MUCH OF WHICH
IS NO LONGER OFFERED IN THE USN TRAINING ESTABLISHMENT
(E.G., 600 PSI BOILER, 5"/38 GUN, FIRE-CONTROL RADAR).

B. THE DESTROYER WILL REQUIRE EXPENSIVE AND EXTENSIVE
OVERHAUL (I.E., \$5-10 MILLION AND 8 TO 10 MONTHS PLUS AD-
VANCE PLANNING TIME), WHICH WILL BE AT THE EXPENSE OF
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THE GOE.

C. SUPPLY SUPPORT WILL BE DIFFICULT, SINCE THIS CLASS OF
SHIP IS BEING PHASED OUT OF THE US NAVY.

D. ALTHOUGH ECUADOREAN NAVAL BASE IMPROVEMENTS ARE PRO-
JECTED, SHIP REPAIR FACILITIES IN ECUADOR ARE PRESENTLY
CONSIDERED INADEQUATE FOR THIS CLASS SHIP.

5. WITH RESPECT TO THE TUG TRANSFER, ECUADOREAN OPERA-
TIONAL EXPERIENCE WITH THIS CLASS OF SHIP REDUCES POTEN-
TIAL PROBLEM AREAS TO THOSE PRIMARILY ASSOCIATED WITH LONG-
TERM SUPPLY SUPPORT.

6. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE EN TO INSPECT THE SHIPS CAN BE
MADE UPON REQUEST.

7. PLEASE INFORM US OF THE RESULTS OF YOUR DISCUSSION
WITH ADMIRAL POVEDA. CHRISTOPHER

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